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SUBJECT: CCC FACILITY DJIBOUTI

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NAIROBI FOR RCO, RSS, FBO PROJECT SUPERVISOR

1. GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS FOR CCC FORWARDED TO POST BY OC
ON MAY 11 FOR USE BY ARCHITECT IN PREPARING DESIGN PLANS.
WHEN ARCHITECTURAL PLANS FORWARDED TO DEPARTMENT, OC WILL
BEGIN TO DEVELOP ENGINEERING PACKAGE FOR CONSTRUCTION OF
CCC.

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2. BUREAU SUPPORTS POST'S ASSESSMENT OF REQUIREMENT FOR
ADDITIONAL OFFICE SPACE AND APPROVES CONSTRUCTION OF
TWO-STORY WING. HOWEVER, AS COMSPEC POINTED OUT IN REFTTEL
A, OPTIONAL PLACEMENT OF CCC FROM OC VIEWPOINT WOULD BE
ON TOP FLOOR OF NEW WING. THEREFORE, ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN
SHOULD BE PREPARED FOR SECURE OFFICE SPACE ON GROUND

FLOOR AND CCC ON TOP FLOOR.

3. BUREAU WISHES ASSURE POST THAT DELAY IN PREPARATION OF ENGINEERING PLANS FOR CCC IN NO WAY RELATED TO POLITICAL CONSIDERATIONS IN REGARD TO FUTURE OF DJIBOUTI, BUT MERELY FACT THAT OC GENERALLY ENGINEERS CCC'S IN ORDER IN WHICH REQUESTS RECEIVED. IN ADDITION, SINCE LENGTH OF

TIME NECESSARY FOR COMPLETION OF ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN AT POST NOT KNOWN, IT IS DIFFICULT TO GIVE POST DEFINITIVE ESTIMATE OF TIME FRAME FOR COMPLETION OF OC'S PLANS BACK HERE ONCE DRAWINGS RECEIVED IN WASHINGTON.

4. REALIZE THAT SUDDEN AND UNFORSEEN STAFF INCREASES AT POST HAVE NECESSITATED A NUMBER OF CHANGES IN PLANS AND LAYOUT OF OFFICE SPACE. HOWEVER, EACH SUCH CHANGE CAUSES DELAY AND COORDINATION DIFFICULTIES. HOPEFULLY, ONCE ARCHITECTURAL DRAWINGS COMPLETED, WE CAN MOVE AHEAD POSTHASTE.

5. RE: PARA 3, REFTTEL C, CONSTRUCTING A NEW BUILDING ON LOT NEXT DOOR SIMPLY OUT OF THE QUESTION. CONSTRUCTION WOULD HAVE TO BE FUNDED BY FBO, SINCE BUREAU S AND E FUNDS CANNOT LEGALLY BE USED FOR SUCH PURPOSES. FBO FUNDS FOR NEW BUILDINGS COMMITTED THROUGH FY-79, AND MANY HIGHER PRIORITY PROJECTS PENDING FOR FUNDING DURING FISCAL

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YEARS FOLLOWING THAT. THEREFORE, DJIBOUTI'S PRIORITY FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION WOULD BE VERY LOW. IN ADDITION, SINCE COMPOUND UNDER LEASE/OPTION TO PURCHASE AGREEMENT, POSSIBILITY EXISTS THAT USG WOULD PURCHASE IT AT SOME TIME IN FUTURE. VANCE

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